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## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A moving image reproducing apparatus for reproducing a moving image signal from a recording medium, comprising:

an internal memory for temporarily storing the moving image signal; and a multi-task CPU for concurrently executing, when inputted with a reproduce instruction, a transfer process to transfer a predetermined amount per time of the moving image signal from said recording medium to said internal memory and a reproduce process to reproduce the moving image signal stored in said internal memory.

- 2. A moving image recording apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the reproduce process includes a set process to set a plurality of operation commands to a table and an output process to read out and output the moving image signal stored in said internal memory, and the transfer process including a seek process to seek a desired address on said recording medium by making reference to the table and a signal transfer process to transfer the moving image signal corresponding to the predetermined amount from said recording medium to said internal memory by making reference to the table.
- 3. A moving image recording apparatus according to claim 2, wherein the reproduce process further includes a comparison process to compare the number of unexecuted operation commands already set in the table but not yet executed with a predetermined value and a wait process to wait for a predetermined time when the number of the unexecuted operation commands is greater than the predetermined value.
- 4. A moving image reproducing apparatus according to claim 3, wherein the predetermined value relies on a frame rate of the moving image.
- 5. A moving image recording apparatus according to claim 2, wherein the set process includes an update process to cyclically update a transfer destination address of the moving image signal and an address set process to set the transfer destination address

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updated by the update process to the table.

6. A moving image recording apparatus according to claim 2, wherein the moving image signal includes a plurality of compressed still image signals, and the output process including a decompress process to decompress each of the compressed still image signals.

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